

KING IS TO LEAD ITALIAN HOSTS AGAINST AUSTRIA

ROME IS STIRRED AS IN
DAYS AGONE BY
SALANDRA

BILL FOR WAR BUDGET IS VOTED

ELEVENTH HOUR PROPOSALS OF AUSTRIA ARE SPURNED WITH SCORN

(By Associated Press.)
AMSTERDAM, MAY 20.—"NO ONE
IN ITALY DOUBTS THAT WAR
BEGINS TODAY" IS THE TEXT OF
A TELEGRAM SENT FROM CHIAS-
SO, SWITZERLAND AND RECEIVED
BY THE BERLINER TAGE-
BLATT.

Full Powers to Minister.
Paris, May 20.—Reports from Rome
say the Italian Chamber of Deputies
by virtually a unanimous vote, today
granted full powers to the Italian
Minister of War.

Austria's Eleventh Hour Proposal Rejected.

Rome, May 20.—Learned Council
Ministers at a prolonged session last
night unanimously rejected the
eleventh hour proposals made by
Austria for prolonging negotiations
regarding the cessation of more terri-
tory from Austria to Italy. The Pope
is in despair over the developments.
His last peace supplication was in
vain.

Salandra Introduces Bill For War Expenditures

Premier Salandra introduced a bill
this afternoon in the Chamber of
Deputies conferring of the govern-
ment of Italy extraordinary powers
in case of war.

A committee was quickly named to
give the project immediate consider-
ation.

The chambers were crowded and
the leaders were wildly cheered.

After the formalities, Salandra rose
and said:

"Gentlemen, I have the honor to
present to you a bill to meet the
eventual expenditures of a national
war."

Prolonged applause and cheers
followed.

The premier declared that Italy
had submitted to every humiliation
from Austria for love of peace.

By an ultimatum to Serbia, Salan-
dra said, Austria had annulled the
equilibrium of the Balkans and pre-
luded the Italian interests there.
The Triple Alliance was denounced
by Italy, May 4.

"Italy must be called at this mo-
ment when her destinies are being
decided," said the premier, amid re-
newed cheers, deputies and specta-
tors rising.

When quiet was restored, Salan-
dra exclaimed:

"We are confident in our august
chief, who is preparing to lead the
army toward a glorious future. Let
us gather around this well beloved
sovereign."

CHICAGO MAN TO GIVE UNI- VERSITY COMMENCE ADDRESS

Norman, May 20.—Dr. John Merle
Fowler, of the University of Chica-
go, prominent in educational sci-
entific circles throughout the world, is
to give the commencement address to
the graduating class at the Univer-
sity of Oklahoma on Thursday morn-
ing, June 10.

COMING EVENTS

- Great Rumely train, Santa Fe, May 22.
- Post Office Clerks' State As-
sociation, May 31.
- Oil well revival, beginning
June 1.
- St. Smith Cadet Band, June
2.
- Flower show June 15-20.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SCHOOL HEADS SUCCESS

SCHOOL BETTERMENT MEETINGS
RESULT IN MUCH GOOD, SAYS
MISS DOOLITTLE

Miss Margaret Doolittle, county
superintendent, returned today from
Oklahoma City, where she attended
the annual meeting of county super-
intendents of the state. "The meet-
ing was an unusually large one and
much good for the betterment of
school conditions resulted," said Miss
Doolittle, who was on the program
for an address.

The banquet Wednesday night was
presided over by State Superintendent
R. H. Wilson, Governor Williams
who was on the program as the chief
speaker of the evening, could not at-
tend and his place was filled by Prof.
A. C. Parsons, professor of secondary
education at the state university.

Election of officers and an address
by President Stratton D. Brooks of
the university, and a number of oth-
er addresses and submission of re-
ports constitute the chief features of
the program. Each county superin-
tendent was given permission Wed-
nesday morning to make a three min-
ute verbal report of the condition in
his or her county. These reports
were found by the school men to be
particularly gratifying and showed
material progress in all lines of
school work, particularly in the rural
districts. About fifty superintendents
attended the meeting.

At the afternoon session State Su-
perintendent R. H. Wilson presented
the medals to the winners of the
spelling contest held at the high
school Tuesday afternoon. They
were Miss Edith Beattie of Ellis
county, first prize, a gold medal and
Miss Ora Lloyd of Pittsburg county,
second prize, a silver medal.

LOGAN COUNTY FRUIT GROWERS MEETING

A meeting of the members of the
Logan County Fruit Growers' associ-
ation together with all other fruit
growers of the county will be held
at the Chamber of Commerce next
Saturday (May 22) at 1:30 p. m. for
the purpose of perfecting plan for
the marketing of peaches, election of
seven directors of the association
and the transaction of such other
business as may properly come be-
fore the meeting.

A representative of the Bureau of
Marketing of the U. S. Department
of Agriculture will probably be pre-
sent and address the meeting.

The peach crop this year will be
the largest in the history of the
county and the profitable market-
ing of the crop will be a serious busi-
ness and the growers of this section
should by all means get together on
a business basis to secure the right
kind of a pack and a selling organi-
zation that will do effective work.

The only track offers for peaches
reported so far are sixty to seventy
cents for first class stuff on board
cars in Arkansas and 55 cents for
marketable peaches on board in Ok-
lahoma. Every fruit grower in Lo-
gan county should attend the meet-
ing Saturday determined to get to-
gether with his neighbors and per-
fect plans which will be for the
advantage of all.

TORPEDOES KEEP UP THEIR DEADLY WORK

(By Associated Press.)
Peterhead, Scotland, May 20.—The
British trawler, Chrysolite, was sunk
today by German submarines, thirty
miles off Kinnacids Head, North Sea.
The crew was saved.

ILLINOISAN, 65, DIES AFTER HICCUGHING FIVE WEEKS

Elgin, Ill., May 20.—Hiccoughs
caused the death of Charles E. Jones,
aged 65, at St. Joseph's hospital here.
After more than five weeks of contin-
ued hiccoughing, James became delir-
ious last Friday.

Physicians say the continued strain
produced death.

Swat the fly now; one swat now
will save a million swats later.

Passengers Who Sailed on Liner Despite Sinking of Lusitania.



This is a group of the passengers
who sailed on the White Star liner
Cunard from New York Friday, a
week after the slaughter of more
than 1,000 passengers of the Cunard
liner Lusitania. They sailed in
spite of the advertisements by the
German embassy at Washington that
the trip was dangerous.

There was high tension on the ves-
sel before she left her pier, but none
of the passengers seemed to fear that
German submarines would repeat the
exploits of the undersea boat which
sank the Lusitania.

FORMER BELGIUM MINISTER HAS A NEW PEACE IDEA

LAWS DISREGARDED; SUG-
GESTS GREAT POLICE
LEAGUE FOR PEACE

(By Associated Press.)
Mohonk Lake, N. Y., May 20.—The
odore Marburg of Baltimore, who was
United States minister to Belgium in
1912 and 1913, told the Lake Mohonk
Conference on international arbitra-
tion today that the defects in the
present machinery for arbitrating in-
ternational disputes was the lack of
the "element of obligation."

There existed, at The Hague, he
said, several institutions to which
the dispute between Austria and Ser-
bia might have been referred. "The
failure to use them proved that our
present international institutions are
voluntary. They are there to be
used only if nations see fit to use
them. The element of obligation is
lacking."

"The wholesale injustice arising
from war," he continued, "its stupid-
ity and horrors, borne in upon us by
the present happenings abroad, are
making the world ready for some
step in advance. It is only a ques-
tion of how far we are willing to go."
The desirable thing is a league to
compel the nations not only to bring
their disputes before a tribunal but
to abide by the award. If such a
league embraced all the progressive
nations, big and little, substantial
justice results from the united ac-
tion of the states composing the Am-
erican Union.

"But this involves such a surren-
der of sovereignty and independence
that it is doubtful whether this de-
sirable project is a realizable one.
The leading countries, including our
own, will hesitate to accept it. It
would, however, be a decided step in
advance if the signatories of the
Hague convention should simply ob-
lige themselves to resort to the in-
ternational institutions they have set
up."

A further possible step suggested
was that they should act as an inter-
national grand jury to hale the nation
lawbreaker into court and use force
to bring it there if recalcitrant with-
out attempting to enforce the award.
"This is a reasonable demand," he
said, "and is probably as far as they
will be willing to go at present."

PRESIDENT BACK IN WASHINGTON

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, May 20.—President
Wilson arrived this morning on the
Mayflower. The trip was unevent-
ful. Mr. Wilson referred several
times to "our fine fleet."

If Weather Permits.

Motorcycle races will be held at
the fair grounds. Friday, weather
permitting.

FOUND—A gold watch and fob on
Springer avenue. Call on C. K.
Proctor.

LEADER WANTS BRING RESULTS

TURKS BEING CROWDED CLOSE ALONG STRAITS

FRENCH TROOPS LANDED ON GALLIOLI PENINSULA; TO USE POISON GAS

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, May 20.—The French troops
have been landed at Seddul Baber
at the southern tip of the Gallipoli
peninsula and on the European side
of the Dardanelles.

The French are now fighting around
Turkish positions at Krithia, accord-
ing to dispatches from Madros,
Lemnos Island, received by Havanos
Agency.

Heavy Fighting Resumed.

The sudden break in the weather in
France, which had been bright and
dry, stopped the fighting on Monday
and Tuesday, but it has since been re-
sumed at several points. Between
Arras and in the Woerwe it appears
as though the attacks which the allies
were delivering have ended and that
the allied troops are consolidating the
ground gained and awaiting German
counter attacks. They are not likely
to be idle long, however, as the action
must be continued for the purpose of
relieving the pressure on the Rus-
sians. Steady progress by the allied
troops on the Gallipoli peninsula is
reported.

British to Use Fumes.

London, May 20.—Secretary for
War Kitchener reported to the house
of lords this afternoon the British
and French governments felt that the
allied troops must be adequately pro-
tected against poisonous gases by the
employment of similar methods.
These would remove the enormous
and unjustifiable advantage which
must otherwise exist.

Servants and Luggage on Way.

Geneva, Switzerland, May 20.—(Via
Paris.)—Several servants, having in
charge heavy baggage bearing the
monogram of Prince von Buelow,
German ambassador at Rome, arrived
at Chateau, Switzerland, yester-
day. Freight traffic between Italy
and Germany by way of Switzerland
has been stopped.

Cheering crowds carried British
and French flags through the streets
of Milan today.

A telegram from Innsbruck states
that a strong Russian army coming
from Bessarabia is flinging back the
Austro-Hungarian forces in Buko-
wina and is marching toward Central
Gallia, with the object of joining the
principal Russian army in Gallia.

A telegram from Salonika says the
Germans have lost 41 officers and
600 sailors in fighting at the Dardane-
lles during the last six days.

In the vicinity of Constantinople
trains have been stopped owing to
the shortage of coal. No food sup-
plies are reaching the city and dis-
tress is increasing.

Letter files for sale at The Leader
office Price 35c, 2 for \$1.00.

RIVERS CRAWL OUT OF BANKS IN THREE STATES

HEAVY RAINS CAUSE RUSH OF WATERS; LOWER WICHITA FLOODED

(By Associated Press.)

Kansas City, Mo., May 20.—Al-
though many small streams in Kansas,
Western Missouri and Northern Okla-
homa, are out of their banks and the
larger streams bank-full no serious
damage from floods is anticipated.

The Kansas river at Topeka has
risen five and seven-tenths feet since
Tuesday.

Many small bridges have been
washed out.

A small portion of the lower part of
Wichita is under water because of the
inability of the drainage canal to
carry off the water. There is no great
damage.

Floods along the Arkansas, Cotton-
wood, Neosho, Walnut, Marais and
Des Cygnes rivers reported the
streams at flood stage today.

Streams of Southern Kansas are at
flood stage, some now out of their
banks and rising due to others. With
more than four inches of rain in
Wichita this part of the state was
yesterday wallowing in water and
scores of acres of land in and near
this city were turned into lakes.

Damage to crops and gardens will
be heavy and with rises coming in
both Big and Little Arkansas rivers
a serious inundation in Wichita is not
unlikely.

TWINS CLOSES BARNES ARGUMENT

(By Associated Press.)
Syracuse, N. Y., May 20.—The
Roosevelt case went to the jury at
2:11 o'clock.

(By Associated Press.)

Syracuse, May 20.—Urging the jury
to forget politics and remember that
"this is not a political controversy,"
Attorney Ivins counsel for William
Barnes, closed the final argument in
the Roosevelt libel case, which goes
to the jury late today.

FORTY WILL GRADUATE IN CITY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS

Rev. Findly of the Christian church
will preach the baccalaureate sermon
for the city high school graduating
class at the high school auditorium
Sunday night, May 23.

Commencement exercises will be
held Wednesday night at the high
school at which time 40 students will
graduate.

The class play will be staged
Thursday night at the opera house.

LEADER WANTS BRINGS RESULTS

HOBART MAN TO BE FIRST VICTIM OF DEATH CHAIR

R. C. MOOREHEAD, NEGRO,
SENTENCED TO DIE AT
MCALISTER

CONVICTED OF MURDER AT SNYDER

ELECTRIC CHAIR BEING CON- STRUCTED AT PRISON TO DEAL AWFUL DEATH

Hobart, Okla., May 20.—R. C.
Moorehead, a negro, was sentenced
to death in the district court here
today.

Moorehead was convicted of the
murder of Clifford Garrison at Snyder,
on February 7, last. He is 22
years of age.

In passing sentence, the court con-
demned Moorehead "to die in the
electric chair at the McAlester pris-
on between July and November 1,
1915."

Moorehead may appeal his case to
the criminal court of appeals. In
any event, he is the first man to face
the electric chair in Oklahoma and
is likely to be the first victim of that
chair.

While Oklahoma has for several
years had a law providing for execu-
tion by electrocution, there is as yet
no electric chair in the state. This
is owing to the well known policy
of Governor Crouse, who went out of
office last January, of commuting all
death penalties.

The last legislature made an ap-
propriation for buying a death chair
to be placed in the penitentiary at
McAlester, and such a chair is now
being constructed there, under direc-
tion of the state board of public af-
fairs. Its construction was begun
while there was yet no death sen-
tence awaiting execution. This was
done, as explained by A. N. Wilcox,
a member of the board, in order that
there might be no necessity for haste
in constructing the chair after a sen-
tence of death should be imposed.
The appropriation for purchase of a
death chair was \$4,500, but it is not
likely that this sum or any thing ap-
proaching it will be expended be-
cause the prison is itself building
the chair and equipping it.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEM- BLY IN SESSION

(By Associated Press.)

Rochester, N. Y., May 20.—The one
hundred and twenty-seventh general
assembly of the Presbyterian church
of the United States convened here
today.

The election of moderator is the
first order of business. Rev. J. Ross
Stevenson, Princeton Seminary, will
likely be named.

THE WEATHER



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(By Associated Press.)
New Orleans, La., May 20.—Unset-
tled, showers tonight or Friday.